

Blazing Paddles

Newsletter of Long Island Paddlers

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Meeting Thursday, March 23, 2006 - 7 PM to 9:30 PM

Long Island Maritime Museum, 86 West Ave., West Sayville

www.limaritime.org

Directions

The Maritime Museum is just east of the West Sayville Country Golf Course on Montauk Highway.

From the west: Take Sunrise Highway (27) heading east; turn right on Locust Avenue; turn left onto Montauk Highway (27A), follow Montauk Highway till you pass the golf course on your right and then turn right onto West Avenue, the Museum's entrance will be on your right.

From the east: Take Sunrise Highway (27) heading west; turn left onto Lakeland Avenue; turn right onto Montauk Highway (27A), follow Montauk Highway turn left onto West Avenue, the Museum's entrance will be on your right.

Thursday, April 13, 2006, 7pm

Suffolk County Community College, Brentwood (Grant Campus)

The Health, Sports, Education/Convention Center

From the east or west: Take the Long Island Expressway to Exit 53. Follow signs to Wicks Road. Go south 1/2 mile on Wicks Road to campus entrance on right-hand side.

February 23rd Meeting

By Vi Quintero - Secretary

Thanks to all who voted in the elections of our new officers! Whether by mail or in-person at the February meeting, the club thanks you for your support and commitment. Thank you too, to the volunteers who helped count the ballots at the meeting.

The election results are:

President:	Ken Fink
Vice-President:	Steve Berner
Secretary:	Vi Quintero
2 Members at Large:	Dave Chin and Barbara Fontana

Other officers already 'in place' this year are Paul Caparatta as Treasurer, and Ed Luke as Immediate Past President.

Also at our February meeting, Dave Chin presented a proposal to the members to create and print club decals which would be available for purchase by the members. Club decals could be affixed to boats, gear, and paddles. The members approved the proposal.

Dave Thaler, our Membership Coordinator, assisted by Marge Tuthill, spent a very busy evening taking applications and dues from new and renewing members. Over 40 applications were taken! Though our new American Canoe Association/Paddle America Club (PAC) status does require a bit more paperwork than our old system, it will be well the effort for all of us.

The program at the February meeting "**Getting from my Garage to the Put In, and Back . . . Safely**" was presnted by Dave Chin. He put so much time and energy into a wonderful program that was both very interesting and informative for beginner and the more advanced paddlers.